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Assignee: New Orchard Road

Address: Armonk, New York

For: PROCESSING DUAL TONE MULTI-FREQUENCY SIGNALS FOR USE WITH A NATURAL LANGUAGE UNDERSTANDING SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

- Specification, including the Abstract
 2 Sheets of drawings (3 sets)
 Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
 Executed Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet
 Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
 Other: 2 postcards

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | |
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| FOR | NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA |
| Basic Fee | | |
| Total Claims | -25- | -5- |
| Indep Claims | -5- | -2- |
| multiple dependent claim present No | | |

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| Small Entity | |
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| RATE | FEE |
| | \$ 355 |
| x \$ 9 = | \$ |
| x \$ 40 = | \$ |
| x \$135 = | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ |

| Other than a Small Entity | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| RATE | FEE |
| | \$ 710 |
| x \$ 18 = | \$ 90 |
| x \$ 80 = | \$ 160 |
| x \$270 = | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ 960 |

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| First Named Inventor | Epstein |
| Title | Processing Dual Tone Multi-Frequency Signals for Use with a Natural Language Understanding System |
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